



BEARFACTS 1988 – 1998

Roanoke (Independent City) , Virginia [51770]

Roanoke (Independent City) is one of 105 counties in Virginia. It is part of the [Roanoke, VA \(MSA\)](#). Its 1998 population of 95,964 ranked 23rd in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 1998 Roanoke (Independent City) had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$22,387. This PCPI ranked 44th in the state and was 81 percent of the state average, \$27,780, and 83 percent of the national average, \$26,883. The 1998 PCPI reflected an increase of 7.2 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 5.6 percent and the national change was 6.1 percent. In 1988 the PCPI of Roanoke (Independent City) was \$16,357 and ranked 31st in the state. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.1 percent and for the nation was 4.5 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 1998 Roanoke (Independent City) had a total personal income (TPI) of \$2,148,394*. This TPI ranked 22nd in the state and accounted for 1.1 percent of the state total. In 1988 the TPI of Roanoke (Independent City) was \$1,584,862* and ranked 17th in the state. The 1998 TPI reflected an increase of 6.1 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 6.7 percent and the national change was 7.4 percent. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.5 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Roanoke (Independent City). In 1998 net earnings accounted for 63.2 percent of TPI (compared with 60.9 in 1988); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.9 percent (compared with 22.1 in 1988); and personal current transfer receipts were 20.9 percent (compared with 17.0 in 1988). From 1997 to 1998 net earnings increased 7.5 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 7.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 1.3 percent. From 1988 to 1998 net earnings increased on average 3.5 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent decreased on average 0.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.3 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Roanoke (Independent City) increased from \$2,651,555* in 1997 to \$2,862,171* in 1998, an increase of 7.9 percent. The 1997-1998 state change was 7.7 percent and the national change was 7.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1988 estimate of \$1,825,996* to the 1998 estimate was 4.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.3 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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